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- IV. On the domestic political scene, the Castro regime continues to tighten its grip.
- A. The confiscation of all remaining private farms larger than 167 acres was decreed on 4 October. Owners of smaller farms are being pushed toward collectivization.
 - B. Labor is being subjected to increasingly stringent controls, such as work norms and longer workweeks, to raise lagging productivity.
- V. Trends in Cuba since Castro's return from the USSR last spring have not been favorable to his interests.
- A. Prospects for significant economic improvement in the foreseeable future were becoming dim even before Hurricane Flora.
 - B. Living conditions remain drab for the majority of the people.
growing apathy and hopelessness.
 - C. It is apparent from Castro's speeches that the Soviet Union has made clear that there is a limit to the support which the bloc is willing to give Cuba.
 - 1. The Soviets dislike Castro's sympathy with "Chinese" ideas and thinks his

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advocacy of immediate revolution in
Latin America is premature.

2. We have detected no decline in Soviet assistance, however.

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VII. Castro subversive efforts in Latin America have recently been intensified.

- A. The large cache of weapons discovered in Venezuela early last month provides the most solid evidence of Cuban support for Latin American subversives to come to light since 1959.

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